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LETTER

Sir:

The below-identified communications are submitted in the above-captioned application or proceeding:

(x) Letter Submission Re: June 7, 2006 Interview

☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any fees associated with this communication, including fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 and 1.17 or credit any overpayment to **Deposit Account Number 08-1480**. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re U.S. Patent Application of)
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HIGUCHI) **Art Unit 3727**
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Application Number: 10/624,552) **Examiner Harry A. Grosso**
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Filed: July 23, 2003)
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For: CONTAINER CAPABLE OF KEEPING A)
LENGTHWISE CONTRACTED STATE AND)
CONTRACTION METHOD THEREOF)
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INTERVIEW SUMMARY

Hereinbelow is a summary of the personal interview conducted with the Examiner in connection with the above-referenced application.

Interview Date: June 7, 2006
Interview Time: Telephonic
Attendees: Juan Carlos A. Marquez, Examiner Harry A. Grosso
Claims Discussed: Claims 1-4
Exhibits shown: none
Prior art discussed: prior art of record in general was discussed

Discussion/Agreements Reached:

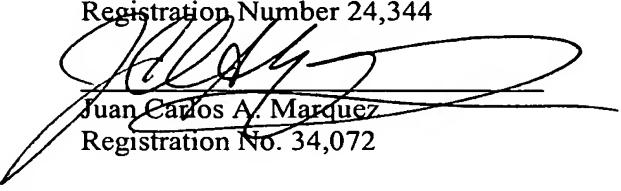
Applicants' representative and the Examiner discussed features of the claims. The Examiner indicated that he did not understand certain language in the claims, and suggested that we amend the claims in order to better recite the features of the invention. In particular, the Examiner was confused by the term "diameter" as used in the claims that appeared inconsistent with the invention as disclosed. In addition, the Examiner suggested other changes to the claims that would address certain formal issues and that would better describe the invention.

Conclusion

The Examiner is respectfully requested to acknowledge receipt and consideration of this Interview Summary. Should there be any outstanding issues requiring discussion that would further the prosecution and allowance of the above-captioned application, the Examiner is invited to contact the Applicant's undersigned representative at the address and phone number indicated below.

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